(d) if so, the steps, if any taken by Government to get the help from WHO?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) and (b) As per information provided by the Central Bureau of Health Intelligence the number of deaths due to rabies in India for the years 1996, 1997 and 1998 are 622,655 and 566 respectively. The number of deaths due to rabies in Karnataka for the same years are 61,34 and 36 respectively.

(c) and (d) WHO organised an informal intercountry consultation from 31st March to 2nd April, 1998 at Delhi to chalk out Regional Strategy for elimination of Rabies for the South East Asian Region.

Technical support in the form of consultants has been provided by the WHO. Besides, financial support through the WHO Biennium (country budget) continue to be provided to Government for its Rabies Control Programme.

Running of Homoeopathic colleges without permission

2832. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many Homoeopathic colleges are run by some institutions, without obtaining necessary permission;

(b) if so, which arc those institutions;

(c) whether these institutes are being run by politicians; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE I DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) and (b) The institutions running the courses which have not so far been recognised by Central Council of Homoeopathy are in the statement enclosed. *(See* below)

(c) The Government have no information.

(d) Does not arise.

Statement

List of the Institutions running the course which have not so far been recognised by Ventral Council of Homoeopathy.

S.No.	Name of the Colleges
1.	Government Homoeopathic Medical College, Bhopal.
2.	Homoeopathic Medical College, Hoshiarpur, Punjab.
3.	Vakaria Homoco Medical College, Rajkot, Gujarat.
4.	Hahnemann Homoeopathic Medical College, Rajkot.
5.	Vivekanand Homoeopathic Medical College, Bbavnagar.
6.	Singhbum Homoeopathic Medical College, Jamshedpur, Bihar.
7.	Virar Homoeopathic Medical College, Vir Savarkar Marg, Virar, Tal Vasai, Distt. Thana Maharashtra.
8.	Homoeopathic Medical College, Manivali, PO Dugadphata, Tal Bhivandi, Distt. Thana.
9.	Homoeopathic Medical College, Dapoli, Distt. Ratnagiri, Maharashtra.
10.	Homoeopathic Medical College, Behind Slate Bank of Hyderabad, Distt. Prabhani.
11.	Ahmednagar Homoeopathic Medical College, Ahmednagar.
12.	North Bengal Homoeopathic Council, West Bengal.
13.	Board of National Medical Research Centre of Homoeopathy, West Bengal.

Iron Deficiency among women and children in J&K

2833. SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of women and children suffering from iron deficiency in the country, particularly in Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) whether Government propose to take some measures to eradicate this disease from the country; and

(c) if so, the salient features thereof?